

Board Direction BD-017952-24 ABP-319922-24

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 10/10/2024.

The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the guidelines relating to telecommunications antennae and support structures which were issued by the Department of the Environment and Local Government to planning authorities in July, 1996 and the height, scale and location of the proposed development, it is considered that the development would be an incongruous structure and would have an unacceptable visual impact and would seriously injure the amenities of the area and property in the vicinity. It is also considered that a sufficient examination of alternative sites and justification for the current 'last resort' site in accordance with the guidelines has not been presented. The proposed development would therefore be contrary Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines and to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

The Board considered that an application could be considered under AH021 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023-2029 and therefore the application did not materially contravene the County Development Plan.

Board Member Date: 23/10/2024
Liam Bergin

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